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SUPPORTED METAL CATALYST, ITS PREPARATION AND ITS

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HYDROGEN PEROXIDE

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following response is made to the Office Action mailed April 22, 2004 setting a shortened statutory period for response to expire on July 22, 2004. Applicants request consideration of the following remarks and reconsideration of the rejections set forth in said Office Action.

There are no amendments to the claims currently presented. A copy of the claims begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.